RIIXTON KING

Truxton King, a New York man of twenty-six, becomes an embryo globe-trotter and searcher after the treasures of romance. He becomes disgusted with the result of his travels, when he is directed to the country of Graustark, which, it was said, contained the meet heautiful women in the world. Disappointed in the looks of the women he met there, he is about to return home, when he sees in the gun shop the girl of his dreams. This young woman is said to be the niece of the old man who owns the gun shop, whom King invites out for a drink at a cafe across the street. The old man tells King the history of the young prince of the realm, who governs the land under a regency. His mother and father the latter an American, having been killed in a railroad wreck some years before. The old man resents all attempts to refer to his niece, but gives King a very good history of the country and the court, particularly cailing extention to John Tullis, the American friend of the prince's father, who is the real power behind the throne. As the old man leaves to return to his shop, King finds that he is being watched by Baron Dangloss, minister of police. Glancing across the street, he sees three mounted soldiers talking to the old gun maker before he enters his shop. As King saunters away the blind above the shop opens and the gun maker's niece sends a shy, impulsive smile in his directed. Synopsis of Chapters Already Published

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King goes to see Dangloss and is advised to keep away from the girl in the gunshop. He is told that she is Oiga Platanova, that her father was executed the year before for conspiracy in the revolutionary movement in Poland. Birl was the secretary. She had a sweetheart in the person of a prince of the royal blood in Poland, but he was torn away from her. She is suspected of being an anarchist. The past morning, however, he goes to the gunshop again and finds both the girl and Spantz in. She has been weeping.

teenth century—great, square, solemn-locking structures, grown gray and and throws open the doors without queek weakening?" she demanded.

"No! I am not going to fail? But I will not permit any one to feat about the thing I am to do. It is a sacred duty with me. But, kadame Drovnask—all of you, listen—it is a cruel, diabolical thing, lust the same. Were in missing the structure of cruelty the world has ever known, The slaughter of a little boy! I can see the horred the control of cruelty the world has ever known, The slaughter of a little boy! A dear, imporent little boy! I can see the horred the control of the co

"Miss Platanova is most worthy of the notice of any man," agreed Brutus, with an amiable leer. Olga seemed to shripk within herself. It was plain that she was not a kindred spirit to these vicious natures.

"It is part of his game," said Julius Spantz. "He knows Olga's past; he is waiting for a chance to catch her off her guard. He may even go so far as to make pretty love to you, cousin, in the hope that—no offense, my dear, no offense?" Her look had silenced him.

"Mr. King is not a spy," she said steadily.

Spantz time in the history of Denmark, a radi-

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sidewalks along Castle avenue, glisten-

flanked on either side by structures as grim and as gray as itself, yet far less significant in their generation. Here dwelt the most important than in the principality, not excepting the devoted prime minister himself. Not that Perse was so well beloved, but that he held the destinies of the land in Midas-like fingers. More than that, he was the father of the far-famed Countess Marlanx, the most glorious beauty at the Austrian and Russian courts. She had gone forth from Graustark as its most notable bride since the wedding day of the Princess Yetive, late in the nineties. Jagomede, the beautiful, had journeyed far to the hymeneal altar; the hux and who claimed her was a hated, dish nored man in his own land. They were married in Budapest. All Europe pitied her at the time; there was but one form of prophecy as to her future, there were those who went so far as to say that her father had delivered her into the hands of the latter-day Bluebeard, who whisked her off into the highlands many leagues from Vienna.

she was seen no more in the gay courts for a year. Then, of a sudden, she appeared before them all, as dazzlingly beautiful as evers but with a haunting, wistful look in her dark old count found an uneasy delight in exhibiting her to the world one more, plainly as a bit of property that all men were expected to look upon what must have been nothing less than capitivity in that once feudal cast thrived in spite of propheto that the property in the state of the sumber hills, freed from what must have been nothing less than capitivity in that once feudal cast thrived in spite of propheto that the property mismated, deceiving no one as to the true relations that existed between them. She despised him without conce aiment; he took pride in showing that he could best resent her attitude by the most scruptious detected in the prophetor of the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence once more to the world. His residence in Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His residence on Edelweiss, opening the old palace once more to the world. His daughter, after the death of the princess was glive she remained away triend who had bankered to relative the princess was glive she remained away triend who had bankered to relative the princess was all we she remained away the princes was all we h

CHAPTER VI.

INGOMEDE THE BEAUTIFUL.

A LIGHT, chilling drizzle had been falling all evening, pattering softly upon the roof of leaves that covered the upon the roof of leaves that covered the this lovely noblewoman; no salon worth while unless graced by her wit and her beauty.

Marlany's lawyer. Brutus, who represents the chief at the meeting begins to speak of the young prince, when he is interrupted by a shriek from Olga.

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CANNOT listen to you! You shall not speak of it in that way! Peter Brutus, you are not to speak of -of what I am to do! Never—never again!"

They looked at her in amazement and no! little concern. Madame Drovnask was the first to speak, her gilttering eyes fastened upon the drawn, white face of the girl across the table.

"Are you going to fail? Are you weakening?" she demanded.

"No! I am not going to fail? But I in the speak of the young prince, when he is interrupted by a shriek from Olga.

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resuming her seat and her attitude of indifference. The discussion went back to Truxton King. "Isn't it possible that he is merely attracted by the beauty of our charming young friend here?" ventured Madame Drovnask, after many opinions had been advanced respecting his interest in the shop and its contents. "It is a habit with Americans, I am told." "Miss Platanova is most worthy of WIN FOR FIRST TIME

offense!" Her look had silenced him.
"Mr. King is not a spy." she said steadily.
"Well." concluded William Spantz,
"We are safe if we take no chances with him. He must be watched all the time. If we discover that he is what some of us think he is, there is a way to end his usefulness."

"Let him keep away from the shop upstairs," said Peter Brutus, with a sideling glance at the delicate profile of the girl down the table.

She smiled suddenly, to the amazement of her sinister companions.

"Have no fear, Brutus. When he hears that you object, he will be very polite and give us a wide berth," she said. Peter flushed angrily.
"He doesn't mean any, good by you." he snapped. "He'll foor you and—poof!
Away he goes, rejoicing.
She still smiled. "You have a very good opinion of me, Peter Brutus."

"Well," doggedly, you know what men

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